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Be Patient, Be Kind

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TRUTH

Should you feel inclined to censure  
Faults you may in others view,  
Ask your own heart, ere you venture,  
If thou hast not failings too.  
Let not friendly vows be broken;  
Rather strive a friend to gain;  
Many a word in anger spoken  
Finds its passage home again.

Do not then in idle pleasure  
Trifle with a brother's fame;  
Guard it as a valued treasure,  
Sacred as your own good name.  
Do not form opinions blindly;  
Hastiness to trouble tends;  
Those of whom we thought unkindly,  
Oft become our warmest friends.

—Author Unknown.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

1 TIM. 3:15

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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

July 11, 1936

## Notices

The chairman of our finance committee authorizes me to announce that all out of state Church of God visitors will be entertained free as far as possible, bedding and breakfast at least. So remember the date and begin now to make preparation to be there.—S. J. Wood, state overseer of Oklahoma.

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There will be feet washing and communion service at the Church of God at Mt. Pleasant, Sunday night, July 12, also the beginning of a revival. We covet your prayers. Ask God to send us a real evangelist. We are really in need of one. Pray for lost souls and that the members will be revived.—Emma Carter, Greenville, Tenn.

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To all the sick and suffering and you who send handkerchiefs, I take this method of letting you know that I have changed my address from 5647 Stanton St., Detroit, Mich to 360 Prospect Ave., Pontiac, Mich. and all who send handkerchiefs always send stamps. You who are able, send extra stamps or an offering to help in the expense of this great work, and you who are wanting me to come and pray for you, send me what you are able to send and we will work our way to you. Those who are in Illinois, I will be coming that way soon and will give the date of my coming in the next issue of the paper if I can, so you who are sick and want me to come your way, help me get means to start on and I will be coming soon as I have a call to Chauncey to pray for a sister there and from there to Ponce de Leon, Fla. to pray for Sister Leddon and will give my route in next notice. If I can reach you who are suffering as I pass that way, let me hear from you at once.—Your brother in Christ and for the sick and suffering, L. G. Rouse.

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**CORRECTION.**—In the article by Brother A. J. Beard on "Distress with Perplexity" in last week's Evangel, the statement "It is said that about fifty million people are killed in the United States every year by automobiles," should have read, "It is said that about fifty thousand (instead of fifty million) people are killed in the United States every year by automobiles."

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The State of Pennsylvania churches have bought the Edgewood Grove at Somerset, Pa. I am now living there and my address will be, Edgewood Grove R. D. 1, Somerset, Pa. With best wishes and much love, I am yours in His service, C. H. Blankenship.

Church of God, ministers and friends, rejoice with us. Our state camp meeting and convention will meet July 30-August 7, near Sebastopol, Miss., under our new state tent (now under construction). Let every minister in the state plan to attend without fail, with deacons, clerks, - - oh well, all are invited. J. H. Walker General Overseer; R. P. Johnson, Asst. General Overseer; Zeno C. Tharp, Supt. of Bible School, and A. V. Beaubé of Nashville, Tenn., are expected to be present with Roy E. Blackwood and his quartet, also singers and musicians from every part of the state. Ministers from other states are invited. The state convention proper will start Tuesday. I want to urge all to attend this great gathering. Don't wait to get started. Come Thursday night and stay till the last amen.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** W. F. Sharp, H. R. Bassett, and Clyde Gardner, Rt. 1, Union, Miss., are appointed as entertainment committee. If you have a tent, cot, or anything to assist in camp life, don't fail to bring it along. Rooms partially furnished will be available at a very small price. Every one must bring his own groceries, or in other words, be prepared to care for himself. Bring your bedding and your cooking utensils, a complete camp outfit. We expect to have a lunch stand on the grounds. Now don't say you can't come. We expect you. Ministers, close your meetings for this grand occasion. "Ministers" roll call Sunday, special time and attention to Sunday School and Y. P. E. work. A. J. Gardner, Supt of S. S., and Mava Morgan, State Supt. of Y. P. E., will have charge. Missions and other interest, with good preaching by good preachers, salvation for the lost and a general spiritual uplift for all.

We now have an order for a new tent 40x60. We need some finance to pay balance on same and freight charges and some express money. We asked the churches for help and now we appeal to our friends of the State. Can't you send us a donation on this worthy undertaking?

### INSTRUCTIONS

Sebastopol is on the great G.M. & N. Railroad. Easy to reach by rail. Ride the streamline beauty. Write any of the above committee for conveyance to camp grounds. Delegates from northeast follow Highway 15 to Philadelphia, turn off on the road to Dixon. Delegates from northwest follow Highway 35, south from Kosciusko to Walnut Grove. Inquire for Sebastopol. Delegates from southeast follow Highways 11 and 15 Union. Inquire. Delegates from southwest come to Jackson, follow Highway 80 to Forest, then north to Walnut Grove. Inquire. We are looking for you. I ask all churches and friends that pray to observe the fourth Sunday in July as prayer day for the favor of God upon us for this work. For any

further information, write W. F. Sharp, chairman, Rt. 1, Union, Miss.—T. M. McClendon, state overseer of Mississippi.

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The South Carolina state convention will convene July 30-August 1 in the Textile Hall at Greenville, S. C. The local church building at Greenville has a seating capacity of about one thousand but it can only take care of the regular Sunday night crowds. The Textile Hall has all modern conveniences and is located near the heart of the city.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** The local church has agreed to furnish beds for all visitors, and possibly breakfast, but delegates will be expected to get other meals at restaurants. Provision will be made for a convenient place to eat near the Auditorium.

**EXPECTING** all ministers and workers in the state to be there from the opening service to the close. Pastors and evangelists please remember that I am expecting the same degree of co-operation in this state convention that you would expect of the laymen during a revival at your local churches. A minister's standing in the state depends largely upon the results you are getting on the field and the co-operation that you give in state affairs.

**URGENT:** All ministers and workers will please urge laymen to make a sacrifice to attend as we are expecting this to be not only one of the greatest spiritual feasts in the history of the state, but the program committee is working to arrange a program which will take in every phase of the church work. Since this is to be a *Church of God Convention*, we are expecting every sermon, every song, all the teachings, and every exercise to be an essential part of the program. If you miss one service, you will miss an essential link. You cannot afford to come in late nor leave early. We may not have the greatest convention or assembly ever held, but we are working and praying that it may be the best in its class.

**DEPARTMENTS:** Every department of the Church will have a part. Publishing House, Missions, both home and foreign, orphanage, educational, aged ministers music, Sunday School, Y.P.E., in fact, every department will be represented.

We are expecting some of the best musical talent, both instrumental and vocal, old and new, young and old. Above all, the Holy Ghost will be given right of way to add to or take away as He sees best. Prepare now and fail not to meet me there.—R. P. Johnson, overseer of South Carolina.

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I have a little book, "Have Faith in God," which tells about how I have trusted God and been healed. I will send you a copy of same upon receipt of 25c from you.—Albert Teaster, Caroleen, N. C.

# As a Mighty River Let The Church of God Move On

R. P. JOHNSON

*"He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water," St. John 7: 38.*

THE spring of life is found in Jesus Christ, and the only means that our souls have of contacting and communing with the fountain is that of vital FAITH or BELIEF, that accepts Jesus Christ at what He offers Himself to be. We cannot have flowing streams without fountains, and only then when the fountain empties itself. Therefore, the divine life can only flow into and possess the souls that trust and obey, for truly, trust and obedience must be two very essential elements of faith. Then when His life floods the soul, and the Church in general, it is not only sufficient to slack the thirst within, but MIGHTY RIVERS OF VITALITY SPRING UP AND FLOW OUT graciously ministering to those to whom Christ commanded us to go. The affluence or abundance becomes powerful influences imparting or pouring forth living (life-giving) waters upon this parched and thirsty generation. From within the Church shall flow rivers, and what shall be the character of the river? The individual or the Church FILLED WITH AND WALKING AFTER THE SPIRIT OF GOD will be a minister of

## VITALITY

For wherever the figure of river is used in the Bible it always implies the carriage and imparting of life. "And he shewed me a pure river of water of life," Rev. 22:1. Wherever the river flows things live. Those who are filled with the Spirit are sin and death's only successful opponents, and it is a waste of time, sinful spending of money, and criminal sacrifice of physical energy, for any individual or the Church as a body to attempt to cope with Satan or sin without an endowment of divine power. Jesus knew this, therefore He selected, prepared, and sent forth a Church filled with the Holy Ghost, to convey the life-giving powers of the eternal God, ministering to the sin-cursed and Satan-bound humanity. And I am convinced that this very, very important ministry is needed first to

## VITALIZE

Withered and dying ministers, laymen and churches. For the more than twenty years of my membership and my manifold ministry in The Church of God, the most burdensome and sickening discoveries that I have made is to find ministers, laymen, and sometimes almost an entire church, bereft of spiritual life, resorting to committees, conferences, or conven-

tions for the aid that only comes through the workings of the Holy Ghost. It is as foolish and vain as it would be to endeavor to operate machinery divorced from energy. Not only other churches but the Church of God is groaning as it endeavors to travel with many almost dead and dormant ministers and laymen, which of course means many withered and fainting churches. This is a shameful and embarrassing predicament. Now we are called upon to rededicate our lives so that He, the Holy Ghost, may again pour Christ's life in us until we can carry the needful blessings to distressed humanity. Our influence is or should be that of a river on a mill wheel, changing the inactive, the dead, into profitable motion. For out of the faithful shall flow rivers which will bring vitality to dead or dying.

## DISPOSITIONS

Everywhere there are withered and withering things which need to be quickened. One of the most appalling discoveries is that in the lives of many leaders zeal is drooping like spring flowers that have been nipped by the spring frost, and many whose desires for a deep spiritual life are fading like plants suffering from a drought. There are others whose ministry is weakening, their affections are ailing, their strength waning, and they are fast lapsing into a state of inactivity and unusefulness. If we only had some way of looking into the secret places of the souls of those with whom we are constantly associated, we would probably be amazed and alarmed at the great number who are in touch with sin and death and out of touch with Christ and life. Dead sermons, prayers, testimonies, and songs flow from the pulpits and pews, and flood the air, provoking the frowns of God, tickling the ears of the devil, leaving the Church and the world in a worse condition.

Now, it is high time that every member of the Church of God should experience a flowing river in his soul and begin to move among drooping souls until withered spirits and heavy hearts are revived and thrilled by the presence of those whom Jesus said, from their innermost being shall flow rivers of living water, for when the river of life flows near to souls sobbing in defeat, they will come alive and clothe themselves in strength and in beauty. Then again the life filled with the Holy Ghost is not only a ministry of vitality but also of

## PURITY

It is to be as clear as crystal and in its every movement it's to be a life at enmi-

ty with defilement. Probably you have noticed street sprinklers as they move down the street flooding it until filth was washed away. I heard of a young minister who stopped at a farm house late in the afternoon and after introducing himself asked the farmer for lodging for the night. "Happy to have you, come in," said the farmer. It was only a few moments until a number of young men and women began to gather. In an apologetic way the farmer informed the minister that they were gathering for a dance. A couple of the young people invited the minister to join them. He thanked them for their kind invitation but remarked that it was his custom to talk to the Lord about all matters before indulging, then asked all the young people to bow their heads as he meekly dropped to his knees. Such a mighty RIVER of prayer flowed out of his soul until the dancing spirit was swept away and the occasion was changed to one of soul-saving and thereby God was glorified and the devil completely defeated. This is suggestive of the possible influence of the Holy-Ghost-filled life. If the Holy Ghost is within, bringing us into communion with the fountain of life, the rivers of pure and purifying influence will most assuredly flow out upon this corrupt world. And another important ministry of the Spirit-filled life is that of

## REFRESHMENT

There are desert places in the lives of individuals, also many of the church services. A certain man received a letter from a friend in which he described what he called a dry sorrow. The sorrow was so great that he had lost the power to weep. It was grief that could not find relief in tears (a dry and thirsty land where no water is, saith the prophet). Multiplied thousands are passing through just such experiences to-day and the crying need in time of such drought is some refreshing river. The prophet Isaiah in chapter 32, verse 2, says a man shall be as rivers of water in a dry place. Christ is that man and He offers refreshments to the souls that are held in perils of dryness. And who is to convey these refreshments? It can only be brought by men and women who live with a spring in their souls and whose very presence is a river of water of life. Again the Holy Ghost life is to be a ministry of

## JOYFULNESS

What more fitting symbol of gladness can we find than a clear, bright, sparkling, dancing stream? Just to look at it, (Continued on page 15)



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## ✻ Editorials ✻

"Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, are these; (but) thoroughly amend your ways and your doings," etc. Jer. 7:4, 5. Of true prayer and worship in spirit and in truth, see also John 4:24; Rom. 12:1; James 1:27.

As a contrite heart is the most pleasing temple of God so speaking with God in words of our own, as a child does with his father, is the best book of prayer. The most cunning method by which Satan deceives many now, is the mistaking of an extensive knowledge and assurance of their own making, not witnessed by the Spirit for true faith; or communion with others, or pretending to gospel experience and liberty, and thereby claiming the office of building up souls, though a true change was never wrought in their own hearts. For what can all our reading, prayers, going to church and sacrament, profit us, without this? Before all this shall be acceptable to the Lord, we must be renewed in our minds, and prove by our words and deeds that we are the living temple of God.

Is there a thing beneath the sun

That strives with thee my heart to share?

Ah, tear it thence, and reign alone,

The Lord of every motion there.

Then shall my heart from earth be free,  
When it has found repose in thee.

Oh hide this self from me, that I

No more, but Christ in me, may live!

My vile affections crucify:

Let not one darling lust survive

In all things may I nothing see,  
Nothing desire or seek but thee.

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"Forsake me not, O Lord; O my God, be not far from me." Ps. 38:21. Divine answer: "The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness

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shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee. O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted; behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires; and I will make thy windows of agates, and the gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones." Isa. 54:10-12.

Such as have never felt spiritual distress cannot relish this word of promise; but they who have been brought out of great misery by this sweet word, or any other word of promise applies to their hearts by the Holy Ghost, will henceforth take hold of it, and prize it; yea, they shall firmly believe, even without a present feeling of its comfort, that God will certainly perform the promise He has once sealed upon them. He is a God that changeth not, and a God in covenant with His people, and His covenant is everlasting; therefore He will not forsake His people, but order all things for their good, and conduct them safely through their pilgrimage, though violent enemies assault them, and mighty temptations fall upon them. His faithfulness stands engaged for this.

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"Lean not unto thine own understanding." Prov. 3:5. "Be not wise in your own conceits." Rom. 12:16. "For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God." 1 Cor. 3:19.

Whoever desires to know the will of the Lord, and prayeth earnestly for instruction, shall certainly know His will. But he must not be wise in his own conceit, nor lean to his own understanding, nor expect that the wisdom or learning of this world will explain the things of God. He must not seek to reconcile the word of his lusts, but combat his lusts by the word. In short, he must come to Jesus for instruction, with the same simplicity of mind as a child comes to learn its letters; and not come for a month or a year, but sit all his life at

the feet of Jesus, to receive instruction from him. Lord, make me jealous of myself, enable me to go in and out with prayer, and keep me from all errors that may hurt my soul.

"How can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" Gen. 39:9.

Joseph was a slave, and in a strange country; he was tempted by a wanton and revengeful mistress; had he complied, he would have been sure of secrecy and rewards; but if he resisted, he might expect her keenest resentment, if not the loss of his life. Yet all these could not influence him; he chooses to submit to every inconvenience and danger rather than be guilty of so foul a crime, and sin against God. From hence we may learn that the fear of God is a most effectual preservative against all criminal indulgences; it was this that restrained Joseph, and will, where it is possessed, have the same effect on all mankind upon all occasions, and in every scene of life. It strikes every passion, every spring of human actions, and includes in it all the most powerful motives by which the conduct of mankind is determined. If interest be the principal thing that sways us, that surely cannot be so certainly promoted as by securing the favor of God, and avoiding His displeasure. If we are governed by our fears, He is the most formidable Being in the universe to a mind that has perverted its faculties, and transgressed the laws of its nature: if by hope, He is the supreme good: if by love, He is the most amiable and perfect excellence: if by gratitude, He is the Author of all our happiness.

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"I have found the book of the law in the house of the Lord. Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the Lord," etc. 2 Kings 22:8, 19.

The priests, probably to save themselves the trouble of writing, and the people of reading the book at large, had furnished themselves with abstracts of the law, leaving out, or slightly mentioning, some parts thereof, and particularly the threatenings; which Josiah was so much affected with, as being new to him. The book of God's law seems in our day to be lost; a sealed book to most of the congregations that profess themselves Christians; imperfect accounts of it are given, which hide the promised blessings and threatened curses of God. When this book by spiritual light is found, and on reading or hearing thereof conviction reaches the conscience, it is a great instance of God's favor, a token for good, and must be faithfully acknowledged as such. Are you truly apprehensive of the weight of God's wrath, and solicitous to obtain His favor? Seek, then, earnestly (Continued on page 15)

# True Stories and Funnies

BY MINERVA BELLE MOSS

*"In Him we live, and move, and have our being," Acts 17:28.*

"In the dance, theaters, movies, gambling dens and booze joints, we live, and move, and have our being," says the sinner. "In the novels, and funnies, and continued stories, we have our being," says the world. "In dope, opium, cigarettes, cigars, snuff and drink, we live, and move, and have our being," say the addicts. "In Him we live, and move, and have our being," say the children of God.

From the beginning of time, God intended man to live, and move, and have his being in Him; to fellowship, to enjoy, to live and dwell in Him; to exist, to thrive, to eat, to devour, and feed upon Him, the "Bread of Life," "my breath, my life, my all in all." But to-day man lives, and moves, and has his being in things of earth and time, things that will perish. "Where your treasure is there will your heart be also."

We read in 1 Corinthians 3:16, 17, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man DEFILE the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." Our body is a type of the temple at Jerusalem, and our minds as vessels of the temple or sanctuary. Now when Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon, came and besieged, and destroyed Jerusalem, he carried away the vessel of the temple and brought them into the treasure house of his god, Dan. 1:1-3. Belshazzar, his son or grandson, in Dan. 5, had his servants bring forth the "golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God, which was at Jerusalem, and the king and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them. They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold and silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone." They desecrated the holy vessels of the sanctuary. Our minds, as vessels of the sanctuary, made for His glory, to be filled with worship and love and praise are used by the enemy and desecrated and "defiled by reading filthy, trashy novels and continued stories and funnies." These continued stories intoxicate like drink and hold the mind captive, fascinate and draw, and you live in a realm created by "dope fiends" and "jail birds." Most of these stories of to-day are written by men and women under dope. They get their fancies, and imaginations, and passions stirred and moved by dope. Why do so many Christians backslide? Because they

say, "In the novels, continued stories, and funnies we live, and move and have our being."

My Lord, my God, what a fortune is spent on these things of the world, the flesh and the devil! They are just as dangerous and deadly as a rattlesnake!

You, who are betrothed to the Son of God, are trampling underfoot the blood of the covenant when you go back to flirting with that old arch-enemy of your souls, bringing damnation to yourselves. Many an evil spirit has been cast out of those who had once known Jesus and had received the baptism and then gone back to reading these continued stories. A couple of years ago, the daughter of a minister, who had the baptism of the Holy Spirit, was sick. We sent up word for her to quit reading "true stories" and "funnies" and God would heal her. They sent word back that the Lord was able to tell them and that I did not need to. We heard General Booth's grandson tell of a girl who wanted to sing a special song at his revival meetings. He would not have her because of the filthy, trashy novels she enjoyed reading. The devil had carried her away captive. How could she sing the Lord's song in a strange land, as the children of Israel said as they hanged their harps on the willows and wept there by the rivers of Babylon, Psalms 137:1-4. She said it gave her such a thrill when she read, not that she would think of doing those things herself, but she wanted to feel how it would be. In them she lived, and moved and had her being. They are devilish, as dope itself, creating the passions to sevenfold heat and exciting a craving to live them out in real life.

My life as a little child was sad and lonely, so I took to reading as a man to drink to drown his troubles. In stories and novels, in fairy tales and continued stories, we lived and moved and had our being. My natural life was cruel and hard and cold and dead, but the fairy tales and later, love stories, were filled with life and joy and sunshine for my lonely little heart, a land of imagination and dreams, a land that never existed, a life and realm that was unreal and failed me in times of need. I got acquainted and fell in love with Jesus at Sunday School and His image was stamped upon my heart, which spoiled all the things of the world for me. I turned away and forgot Him many times, yet that image was forever there. Yes, I went in the broad ways to seek Him whom my soul loveth,

to the movies and theaters, and card parties and dances and novels and funnies. Songs of Solomon 3:2-4, "I sought him, but I found him not. The watchmen that go about the city found me: to whom I said, Saw ye him whom my soul loveth? It was but a little that I passed from them, but I found him whom my soul loveth: I held him, and would not let him go."

Yes, when I passed by all these and got in that "narrow way" of life, and got converted, I found Jesus was my fairy "Prince of Life," and I was the "sleeping beauty" that He awakened with His breath of life, Jesus, my Savior, the Bridegroom and lover of my soul, and the Bible, His love letter to me. Then I grieved and mourned for the years wasted in reading stories and lies that were mere imaginations of the mind of man; years wasted, mind desecrated as the vessels of the sanctuary that Belshazzar, the king, and his lords drank wine out of long ago. I hated school and dad said I could read the stories if I got my lessons. I hated them and got what I had to, so I could read the wild, fascinating stories that I loved, therefore, had nothing to offer Him, but empty wasted years and I wept and cried in sorrow and anguish. He gave me His promise of Joel 2:25, "I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you." And He did, literally, restore to me the years I had wasted in reading those empty tales. He gave me the opportunity at Bible School to make up the studies I had neglected at school and needed in His service. Glory to His matchless name forever!

"In the funnies we live and move and have our being," say the children, old and young, sinners and many Christians, too sad to say. You who are Christian parents will not let your children go to the movies, but you will let them devour the funnies which are the same filthy, empty, foolish trash. "Tell me what you eat, and I will tell you what you are," says the world. Tell me what you read and I will tell you what you are. Children and grown-ups that read the funnies, act like a funny. They look like a funny. They walk like a funny. They talk like a funny, and they live like a funny. The things of God are made light of in ridicule, and your eyes grow accustomed to the lude, immodest dress of the world and your ears pick up

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# The Comforter

H. L. MEDLEY

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PETER says in the 39th verse of the 2nd chapter of Acts, "The promise is unto you (the Jews), and to your children, and to all that are afar off, (and everyone will agree that the latter referred to is the Gentiles) even as many as the Lord our God shall call." When God quits calling people to repentance, then He will quit baptizing with the Holy Ghost.

Some will say, "I got the Holy Ghost when I got sanctified." That is unscriptural for sanctification comes as a cleansing, as a second work of grace subsequent to regeneration, and the Holy Ghost is a filling. Jesus, in speaking to Christians that were bearing fruit (or saved), said He would purge or cleanse you that you may bring forth more fruit. John 15:12. God baptizes with the Holy Ghost in these last days just like He did in the early days of the Church. Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, to-day, and forever." We are still living in the Holy Ghost dispensation. When the Jews rejected Christ, as a nation, the Gentiles came in possession of the same promises at Jesus' death on the cross, the middle wall of partition was torn down, making the Gentiles on equal par with the Jews. You will find that made clear in Eph. 2:13-15.

In Acts 15th chapter, Peter makes mention how God a good while ago made choice that by his mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe, and he made no difference between the Jews and Gentiles, purifying their hearts by faith. And James, who seems to be the moderator, after hearing the different ones speak, says, "Hearken unto me: Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out (to rapture) of them a people for his name. And to this agree the words of the prophets." These scriptures have reference to the house of Cornelius where the Gentiles received the Holy Ghost and spake in tongues. There are teachers to-day that will try to take the Apostle Paul in partners with them to put down the teaching of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues. They will quote 1 Corinthians 14:19 where Paul says, "Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding than by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue." This is easy understood when anyone has the

right conception of God's Word. To fully understand the 14th chapter of 1 Corinthians the reader should read the 12th and 13th chapters of 1 Corinthians, which is speaking of spiritual gifts. Paul is not condemning speaking in tongues in the 14th chapter, but is regulating some confusion that had gotten into the church.

In the 18th verse Paul says, "I thank my God that I speak with tongues more than ye all." In the 21st verse he refers to the law which is Isaiah 28:11, "That with men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord." This is to the mockers in the early days of the church and these last days, but thank the Lord, there are a few people all down through the ages who are willing to walk in the light of God's Word. In the 5th verse, Paul shows that he that prophesies is greater than he that speaketh with tongues except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying. If anyone interprets their message in tongues it is as great as he that prophesies. And the 13th verse Paul insists that they that speak in an unknown tongue pray that they may interpret. I want to say here that in the 14th chapter Paul has reference to a business meeting for he asks the women to keep silence. It is not a devotional service for in that everyone has the right to speak in tongues.

In the 2nd verse, Paul says, "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men but unto God for no man understandeth him, howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries." It would be ill manners for me to butt-in where two were holding a conversation. No one has the right to say anything when anyone is talking direct to God, for it is an honor for anyone to get close enough to God for the Holy Ghost to speak through him. Paul knew that in these last days some teachers would forbid to speak with tongues, that is why he made the statement in the 39th verse of the same chapter, "Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy and forbid not to speak with tongues." But there are people to-day who are trying to take the NOT out. Then there are some who say that tongues will cease. They refer to 1 Corinthians 13:8, "Charity never faileth, but whether there be prophecies they shall fail, whether there be tongues they shall cease, whether there be knowledge it shall vanish away." I want to ask you a

question, dear reader, Has prophecy failed? You will say, No! So do I.

We notice in the list of prophecies, which mean predictions of future events or preaching the gospel, people going in every direction under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, telling this lost world of God's impending judgments on them that will not obey the gospel. Next are tongues. What are tongues for? "Tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe but to them that believe not." 1 Cor. 14:22. As long as there are unbelievers tongues will not cease. Anyone can see that knowledge has not vanished away for people to-day have greater knowledge than in any age. Daniel 12:4, "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." We see this fulfilled before our eyes. This tears down the theory that is being taught to-day.

Many people who come to a holiness meeting and see the power of God manifested will say, "I don't believe that God would do foolish things like that and cause people to act in that way." But read 1 Corinthians 1:21, 25, "For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God... because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men." But someone will ask, "Why does God want to use tongues to speak something no one understands, not even the one speaking?" We will answer this with the Word of God, "Wherefore (or for this reason) tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe but to them that believe not." God has always worked with signs. When God sent Moses to Egypt to deliver the children of Israel he sent him with signs and said if they would not believe the first sign they would believe the latter sign. Exodus 4:8. The disciples asked Jesus just before He ascended back to the Father what sign there would be of His coming and the end of the world. God told Ezekiel to go and lie on his left side three hundred and ninety days for a sign to Israel. Then lie on his right side forty days for a sign to Judah. Ezekiel 4:1-7. Someone might say, "Such foolishness." It no doubt looks foolish to the natural man. Again we notice, God told Ezekiel to shave his head and take a third part of his hair and burn it, take a third part and cut it with a knife and a third part scatter in the wind for a sign to Jerusalem. Ezekiel 5:1-14. We have mentioned these signs to show God's way of doing things.

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Sometimes we put ourselves under by trying to put something over.

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No one who fails to fill the lower place successfully need be looking for a promotion.



### Looking Forward to Successful Revival

Dear Evangel readers, we praise the Lord for what He is doing for us here at Hill's Chapel Church of God. We have a great revival spirit here, prayed down from the throne of grace. Thank God! It's just wonderful, words can't express it. Ten have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and many more are looking this way.

We thank God for our esteemed district overseer and pastor, Brother A. J. Murray. How we praise God for him. On June 21 he preached for us. The power fell and two prayed through to the Holy Ghost including the writer. Thank God! It's joy unspeakable and full of glory. I have two brothers who have the wonderful experience and two who are out in sin. One of them had the Holy Ghost and drifted back. Please pray for them.

We are looking forward to a revival to begin not later than the 15th of July. Please pray for the success of this revival. This is a very, very hard place but we believe the Lord is going to give many souls if we will sacrifice and pray. Brothers Walker Willis and A. J. Murray will be in charge, D. V.

Oh, how we need to pray for the harvest is already white and the laborers are few. Pray that the Lord will send more laborers into this field for it is a hard place. How we need to stand true. I feel so little and unworthy. Please pray for me to stay humble and pray for my four-year-old boy who has been afflicted with external disease of three years' standing. Pray for our pastor.—A member of the Church of God, Mrs. Hattie Hubbard, Rt. 1, Falkville, Ala.

### Souls Finding the Church of God

To the Evangel family, greetings. I am glad to report victory over in Turks Islands. We are having meetings now which are drawing souls into God's kingdom. Saints are encouraged and souls are finding the Church of God. Members of other churches are getting reclaimed again. I am teaching this Bible church with love and kindness as the Word of God says, Freely ye have received, freely give, and by doing this the Lord has added two to our number, saved, sanctified and filled two with the Holy Ghost and converted two others. We have a nice little church in Kew and a good crowd at Y. P. E. Our district overseer is very kind to us.

We are still working for our people to see the one Church of God. We are in a great battle and mean to press through with God leading. We are having a good Sunday School. I thank you

for all the leaflets you sent and the Evangel. As soon as you finish with them, let us have them. They are a great help to us. God bless you. Pray for us.—Sister P. L. Rigby, evangelist, Kew Turks Island, B. W. I.

### Jesus is All to Me

MATTHEWS, Mo.—To-day I praise God for Jesus because He is all in all to me. He is blessing our family with health. Glory to God! I am more determined to go through than ever before. I thank God for anointed ministers of The Church of God. I praise Him for the Evangel. I read the sermons and think they are all good. One that goes to my mind and heart is one written by Brother H. C. Peek. It makes me pray again, have a closer walk with Jesus, and ask myself, Where am I?

Saints, pray that I will obey God. I am doing my best to live a life that is pleasing to God. We have prayer service in our home every Thursday night. I am so hungry to be in the Church of God services, but if I never have the privilege again, pray that my house and I will serve the Lord with all our hearts, souls, and strength.—A brother in Christ, Luther Connell, Rt. 1.

### Laboring in a New Field

CLINTON, N. C.—We thank God for salvation. We are laboring in a new field here. So far as we know, the nearest church is forty miles from here. We are in a rural community six miles from Clinton. We have been having services regularly in homes for quite a while, now we have the use of a building.

We would like to get in touch with any Church of God saints near us. We need your help. Come and let's rejoice together over the Lord's goodness and plead for the lost. No one has gone through as yet but many are under conviction. We can feel the cloud of victory and believe the rain is coming soon. We ask the saints in general to pray for our success.—Yours in His service, James A. Smith, Route 2, c/o R. E. Bradsher.

### Struggled and Worked To Build Church

BOSWELL, Pa.—We praise and thank God for the wonderful blessings He is giving us. We have struggled and worked, trusting in God, to build a church that we could call our own. Now at last we have entered our new church and the Lord surely blessed the first night. Eight souls were saved, four of which were sanctified, and one filled with the Holy Ghost.

We started to build in March 1935 and on June 21, 1936 we entered it. The church is worth \$4000 and we owe

only \$295.18 on it. It will be dedicated Aug. 2, 1936. Pray for us and our dear pastor, Brother Durden, that we will stay humble before Christ.—Ralph Miller.

### Lots of Prayer Needed

LIBERTY, Miss.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise God because I love the Church of God and its teaching. I feel this morning that I need more of God's great love and power to overcome the enemy. We know he is here with all force, doing his best to tear all down he can. I ask every saint of God to pray for me to be made stronger in the Lord so I may do or say something that will cause some one to turn to Jesus. We ask every one who knows the worth of prayer to pray for our little church here at Busy Corner, Miss. that it will rise and shine for the glory of God.

We will start a revival the second Sunday in July and we ask all of God's children to pray that God will save many souls and give them the sweet Holy Ghost. This is a hard place. It will take lots of prayer I know, but then we know God can do all things, so we are looking for all to help us and if any one feels led to come and help us out in music, singing, praying, and preaching, we will be glad. Brother Horace Taylor will be in charge of the meeting. Pray earnestly for the meeting.

I have a sister in the Lord who is in very bad health. Please pray for her. If God doesn't undertake, she can't be with us long. Pray for God to have His way with her. Be sure and pray for us.—A sister in the Church of God, Hattie Larimore, Rt. 1-A.

### God's Wonderful Power Felt In California

Dear praying people, I thank God for what He has done for me. He saved and sanctified me but I have not received the great Holy Ghost yet. Pray for me and mother, also my sister. We are in a large field of work to do for God. No one here knows Christ. Pray that God will send a Church of God preacher out here to run a meeting for us, for there is no kind of church close.

Dear friend, it is so wonderful what God has done for me. Sometimes the way gets dark but God always hears His children's cries when they humble themselves down at His feet and call on Him. I thank God for healing my body so many times. Pray for my husband. He is out in sin. Pray that he will be saved before it is too late. I mean to go through with Jesus until He comes or calls for me. My home in heaven is too great to miss. Pray for the people here in Macdoel.—Mrs. Wayne Harper, Macdoel, Calif.

## REPORTS

### Charleston, S. C., District Convention

The Charleston district convention opened Friday night, April 4, with our state overseer, R. P. Johnson, in charge. The Lord blessed us at the beginning and continued to do so throughout the convention. We omitted the formalities of the welcome address, etc., and had an old-fashioned praise service instead, after which Brother Johnson brought us a wonderful sermon. At the close of this service every one felt welcome and that it was good to be here.

Saturday morning the Lord met with us in the song service and the Holy Ghost took charge from then on. Brother Johnson gave a short talk on missions. That made us feel our duty and responsibility towards the lost and dying. A mission offering was taken at this time. After this Brother David Lemons preached. His message was timely and enjoyed. Saturday evening we could still feel that good Spirit hovering over us. Brother Leland Burroughs, the former pastor of this church, delivered a soul-stirring message. At the close of this service we were all feeling better.

Sunday morning after much good singing and prayer, Brother Johnson gave a talk on the need of the orphanage. This stirred our hearts. May God help us to do more for these precious children. An offering for the orphanage was taken. After this Brother Johnson delivered a message on "The Good Shepherd and the Sheep." I wish every member of the Church of God could have heard this wonderful sermon. Brother Johnson preached with such love and forcefulness that he made us all feel determined to do more for God. Sunday afternoon we met for the closing service. There was such a sweet atmosphere in this service. Every heart seemed to be melted, God surely had His way. Brother Johnson gave us some good instructions, after which Brother C. P. Cashatt of St. Stephens preached to us. We enjoyed his message. Then came the real shower—we closed with an old-fashioned love feast.

Thank God for this wonderful convention. We feel lifted up and have a desire to do more for God. Please pray for us on the Charleston district.—A. B. Reed, district pastor.

### Anderson, S. C. Dist. Conv'n.

The Anderson, S. C. district Sunday School convention convened at the Pelzer Church of God, June 7. Brother C. F. Grant, state Sunday School superin-

tendent, was in charge. The Lord blessed in the very beginning. It seemed God's approval was on the entire service. We had plenty of special music and singing. The welcome address was given by the local superintendent, Brother Lee Carithers, with response by Brother Frank Muller and Brother E. R. Heaton. We had remarks by the pastor, Brother P. A. Heaton.

Pelzer church won the state banner for three months, also had a very good report. Brother Heaton made a talk on "How They Worked for Their Sunday School." Talks on Sunday School by Brothers Taylor, Hutchins, Mitchell, and Sargent were enjoyed. Lunch was enjoyed by all.

In the afternoon Brother Bright talked on the "Qualification of a Teacher." Belton church rendered a program on "How to Enlist in the Army of the Lord" which was enjoyed. An offering was then taken for Brother Grant. Closing remarks were made by Brothers Grant and Muller, and handshakes and good-byes ended the convention. Pray for us.—Lois Pressley, secretary of convention, Honea Path, S. C.

### District Convention A Feast

The Church of God district convention of Northern Missouri convened at St. Joseph, June 18-21. The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost met with us from the very beginning and stayed in attendance until the closing night. Brother J. M. Foshe, pastor at North St. Joseph, brought the welcome address and responses were made by Brothers J. R. Rash, Fred D. Ellis, and H. E. Buntin. The first evening's program closed with a sermon by Brother B. F. Clark which was enjoyed by all.

Friday morning service opened at 9:45 a. m. with a scripture reading by our good state overseer, Brother W. J. Milligan, followed by an inspiring message by Brother Fred D. Ellis. Brother H. V. Howe then spoke. In the afternoon Brother Alfred Hoskins brought the afternoon message after which Brother Foshe boosted the Church of God Evangel. The evening service opened with a full house, and how the power and the glory of God came down to bless every saint of God! Brother W. J. Milligan brought a message. Souls then came to the altar seeking God. One received the Holy Ghost during this service and a message in tongues and the interpretation was given.

Saturday's services were all good. Messages were brought by Brothers Matt Durbin, R. E. Worley, and H. E. Buntin. The Holy Ghost anointed each of these messengers.

Sunday morning service opened with talks on interest of Sunday School, after

which Brother Milligan spoke on "The Christian's Inventory," and the Lord so wonderfully blessed it seemed we couldn't adjourn for our basket dinner. There were good sermons throughout the rest of the afternoon by Brothers J. R. Rash, and Merle Green. Brother J. M. Foshe brought the evening message, after which the convention came to a close.

Such a spirit of perfect love and unity were manifested by all who were at the convention. It was the best convention this district has ever had. Offerings were taken for missions amounting to \$40.00 and orphanage, \$20.00. Two united with the church during this convention. The State of Missouri with the Lord's help fully intends to go over the top this year for the good Church of God.—Beatrice Koonse, clerk.

### Copperhill, Tenn., District Convention

The Copperhill, Tenn., district convention convened at Copperhill church, June 5-7, with the writer in charge. Brother Cross, our state overseer, Brothers Anderson, Little, and Boehmer delivered some stirring, edifying messages. God's approval was upon them.

The singing was inspiring and uplifting. Brother J. J. Ballew was with us and helped in our singing. He is a gifted singer and musician. The presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost was manifested throughout the convention.

We are encouraged and have a greater determination to press on to the goal.—Robert Bell, district pastor.

### A Needy Field, Desires a Church

HEFLIN, Ala.—Dear saints everywhere, please pray that God will put it on some one's heart to come to Heflin, Ala. and run a revival. This is a new field. Holiness has never been preached here. It surely is a good place for a revival, it is the county seat. There are just two here who have the Holy Ghost, a fourteen-year-old boy and me. I have been praying earnestly for the people here almost two years. Some are getting hungry for a know-so salvation. I have talked to some and the tears would roll down their faces.

There is no vacant building here but a party offered a vacant lot, one on which we can put a tent or brush arbor for a meeting and it's in a good location. Some of the business men have offered to help. If any one feels led to come, I'm sure you will be rewarded for coming. I play the piano and sing, so if any one feels led to come who doesn't have any one to furnish the music, come on anyway.—Humbly, Mrs. Allene Deese.



### Tennessee State Convention

This announces another convention at the Church of God Auditorium in Cleveland, Tenn. Was it the General Assembly? No, but was our Tennessee state convention.

When the people of Cleveland heard that the state convention was going to be held at the Auditorium, they began to make preparations for it. Some five weeks before the date set for the convention, a number of the members of both churches (South Cleveland and North Cleveland) met with mops, brooms, etc., and scrubbed the floors from the basement up to the top floor. Among this number was our dear Sister Latimer with her scrub broom, and though quite old, I believe she did as much as anybody in the crowd.

As Brother Cross informed us that he was expecting the largest number in attendance of any previous convention for the state, preparations were made to take care of the large crowd which attended. The entertainment was splendid. All the delegates had to do was walk over to the entertainment committee and receive an invitation to someone's home, and there retire upon a nice bed, with a hot breakfast awaiting in the morning, without one cent of cost.

There was some splendid preaching of the old time gospel by men of God, which certainly was food to our souls.

Brother McCoy was in charge of the music, and everyone knows how well prepared he is along this line. The band music, special quartets, and in fact, all the music was just fine.

Ministers and members from nearly every district were present with good reports of the work out on the field. The membership has greatly increased this year, and we are delighted with the progress the Church is making in this state. Brother Cross is certainly doing a wonderful work for the Church of God in Tennessee.

Friday night was young people's service. Brother Woodrow Byrd, assistant state superintendent, made a splendid talk to the young people, encouraging them to work harder for the Y. P. E. He explained that the Y. P. E. was growing and proving a blessing to many, educationally as well as spiritually. Brother Clifford Jenkerson also spoke to the young people on the subject, "The Youth of To-day." He pointed out the different ways the devil has to entice the young people, such as the ball games, dance halls, swimming pools, billiard halls, etc., and the evils that come from such places, and urged that we hold steadfastly to the standards of holiness and tell the world about Christ.

Another interesting part was the trip through the Publishing House. At 8:00

o'clock Saturday morning all were invited to go through and look around over the building. At the call, "It's now time to go through the Publishing House," the crowd marched from the Auditorium down to the Publishing House. Brother Latimer lead them through, explaining the different phases of the work, and at the usual prayer hour, all were invited to worship with the employees, from 8:30 to 9:00 a. m. We certainly feel proud of our Publishing House and thank Brother Latimer for this privilege.

On Saturday afternoon we visited our boys' orphanage farm. This was about an eight-mile trip and the road was hot and dusty, but when we reached the farm it was cool out under the large shade trees and the cold spring water was refreshing. There are forty boys out there, and they certainly have a nice home. We found growing several different kinds of crops on the farm, but the principal crop was corn, of which there were several acres about waist high. Brother Eller, the manager of the farm, informed us that the county agent was out to look over the crop and told him that he had the second best corn crop in this end of the county.

On Sunday morning a missionary offering was taken. You have heard of missionary zeal but we saw it manifested when Tennessee topped the list with the largest missionary offering of any state, the amount of which was \$626.68. In connection with this offering, Brother Baney, who expects to sail soon for Palestine as missionary to the Jews, made a fine talk, telling how hungry the Jews are for God and how they are accepting Christ as their Messiah. Let's pray for Brother Baney as he goes to this foreign field to preach the gospel to the Jewish race.

The Tennessee state convention has set a record in mission offerings that never has been reached before in the history of the Church, of which we feel proud. This offering may be the means of carrying the gospel to thousands who will accept Christ and be ready to go when Jesus comes. There are many more conventions to be held this year, and no doubt, some will have a larger offering, but we expect to set a new record next year.

### Bristol, Tenn. Dist. Conv'n.

We take great pleasure, dear Evangel readers, and our hearts are made to rejoice as we attempt to tell you about the convention of the Bristol district which convened May 15-17 in Bristol. We praise God for His mighty presence and the manifestation of His Spirit throughout the services. We were very thankful to have with us our state overseer, Brother M. P. Cross, and family; our dis-

trict pastor, Brother T. A. Richard; the local pastors of this district, visiting ministers, and friends.

Services opened Friday at 7:30 p. m. with special music, singing, and prayer, after which was the welcome address given by the Bristol pastor, Brother R. C. Cook, with responses by Brothers Clyde Atkins, Simmons, and Sister Rose (Lucia) Short. Brother W. H. Maxwell brought forth under the anointing power of the Holy Ghost a wonderful message.

Saturday at 9:30 a. m. we assembled again to uplift the name of our Redeemer and enjoy His good blessings. After singing praise and mingling our voices in prayer, our souls were fed with an inspired message by Brother C. M. Jones. Then came time for general instructions to the ministers from our state overseer. Like as a father instructs his children, so were the words of love with which he admonished his coworking pastors. Favorable were the responses of the faithful ministers. The afternoon service consisted of special music, singing and uplifting messages from Brother Simmons of Pulaski, Va., and Brother J. C. Conley. Our cups were full and surely overflowed as a wonderful message was delivered by Sister M. P. Cross, which was sent forth with great power in the evening service.

Sunday School interests were taken up on Sunday morning with Brother R. C. Cook, Brother W. E. Johnson and Sister Rose Short as speakers. Then came orphanage work. Oh, the mighty power of the great Holy Ghost that was manifested as an offering was taken for this worthy cause. The amount given was \$18.50. Brother Cross made no complaint that his time for a message on "The Church of God" had expired but spoke many good things on this great subject. Church reports were made in the afternoon and we felt all had labored faithfully. By God's help with the co-operation of the local churches on the district and the people of our city we had arranged to have one hour of the afternoon service broadcast from the church. During this time special singing was rendered, short addresses on the church work by our state and district overseers and a message by Sister M. P. Cross. Our prayer is that this message so much needed in these last days sank deep in the hearts of the many hearers. A mission offering was taken, then came sad handshakes and good-byes, but with renewed zeal and determination to attend that great convention where parting will be no more.—Your brother and sister in Christ, Lloyd Waters and wife.

Those who keep the peace of God in their souls will have to war against Satan and sin and every evil work.

## Requests

Dear Evangel readers, I feel under a great burden this morning for lost souls and especially my companion. He is a sinner out of the ark of safety. I was awakened this morning and God seemed to sight me to the souls that were lost.

I have had salvation seven years, trust God for the healing of my body. He has always been my healer for I have never taken medicine. I was reared by good Christian parents who have salvation and have had since I was about six months old, and I surely praise God for it.

I know God can do anything, and I am asking all who read this to pray a special prayer that God, in some way, will send conviction on my husband that he will seek God and receive the blessing.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. James Bullock, Lake City, Fla.

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The Church of God in Chicago, Ill. has been moved from Madison St. to 7519 Belmont Ave., Brother Edward Pickering in charge. The district overseer came and received five into the church. I stayed by this work and feel good over the change. We are ready to evangelize again.—Mrs. Amelia Shumaker, 7519 Belmont Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Please pray for me that I will get work. that my little girl will be put in a Christian home and that Bill will gain his health and be able to get work. We are in great need.—Mrs. Annie Wingard, Maiben, Ala.

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Dear brothers and sisters, please pray for the healing of my body as I have gall stones of the liver.—Mrs. Lois Mimbs, Rt. 1, Adrian, Ga.

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I thank the Lord for touching my body. I have been sick ever since December. I tried two doctors and medicine and grew worse so I began trusting God. I am feeling better but I want every one to pray that God will completely heal me.—A sister in Christ, V. L. Ledford, Rt. 2, Sparta, Tenn.

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Please pray a special prayer for my husband to see the light and be saved. I am a member of the Church of God but have grown cold and my health is bad. I have no way to get to church more than once or twice a year. Pray that I might get closer to God and be able to bear my burdens.—Mrs. Savora Burkholder Grantsville, Md.

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Pray for the revival here on the Ranger, Texas, district, at Stephenville. Steph-

enville is a town of about five thousand population and there is not a holiness church of any kind here. Pray for us for perhaps you know what it means to pitch a battle against the enemy in a town of this size in these days. But thank God. we are gaining ground. Conviction is on the people and the town is stirred. The crowd has increased to ten or fifteen hundred. Merchants, doctors, etc. are coming, also bringing good things to eat. You Texas preachers and laity who can, come. We have plenty of camp grounds. Seven have received the Holy Ghost in the old-time way. This is the sixth week of the revival. The Lord only knows when it will close. I ask you again to pray for an old-time camp meeting here in Stephenville.—A servant of God, L. C. Pennington, district pastor, 601 Pershing St. Ranger, Tex.

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Please pray for my wife who is in the state sanitarium. God is able to bring her out.—Your brother in the Lord, C. A. Tomlinson, Ada, Okla.

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Please ask God to deliver me of everything unlike Him and to loose me from that old binding spirit that has had me bound eight years. I am doing some missionary work out here in the country and if you have any Sunday School cards or papers left, please send them to me. Pray for God to send us some rain.—Mrs. C. Stone, Childress, Texas, Rt. 2, in care of Sam Avary.

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Pray for me. I'm in a nervous, run-down condition. Pray for us to do God's will.—Grace Corn, Slaty Fork, W. Va.

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Dear saints, please pray for me to be healed of nervous spells. I know the Lord can heal.—Mrs. Willie Waters, Pelzer, S.C.

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There is a man here who has a cancer on his neck. He is a drunkard. Please ask God to give him light through some tracts we are going to send him.—Mrs. W. Marlin, Cave City, Ark.

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Please ask God to send us some rain. We are perishing up here.—J. W. Parks, Marion, Va.

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I ask all to pray especially for me that the Lord may bring my remembrance back. Before I had a nervous shock I could remember well. I could read a chapter and memorize it, but I can't now. I want to get back to that place again. I wrote in for prayer for a little Mitchell boy. He isn't any better, he is still in bed and can't even move himself, so continue to pray for him.—Yours truly, Mrs. Jessie Grice, Selma, N. C.

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We ask the saints living around Whitesville and in Boone County to come over and help us in the tent meeting which started July 4. We need your help as

there are no saints in Whitesville. We ask all the Church to pray for this meeting as it is needed here. If any Church of God preachers come this way, stop with us a night or two.—Your brother for lost souls, R. H. Tadlock, Whitesville, W. Va.

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Please pray for my husband to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for my father, brothers, and sisters who are in sin. We have only a short time to get ready for the coming of Jesus. Please pray that I will ever be on the battlefield.—A sister, Mary Lee Thompson, Canton, N. C.

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We are in a revival at Dudley, Mo. with Brother Petty doing the preaching. Six have been saved and we are asking for your prayers that God will continue to bless and save many precious souls. Pray that God will undertake that we may have a building here to worship Him in, also pray that my husband and mother will see the light on the Holy Ghost and accept Him in His fullness.—A sister in Christ, Matilda Hunt, clerk, Dudley, Mo.

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The little band of workers at this place request special prayer for the revival which began Sunday night, July 5, conducted by Brother H. Williams. This is considered a hard place for God's work to progress but we are trying to build a fort by prayer and fasting in which we will be able to withstand the enemy. Please remember us, for where there is unity there is also strength, and we are so in need of divine help.—Your sister in Christ, Maude Ellen Hight, Coffeeville, Miss.

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We started a revival west of Greenville, Ala. June 28 with Brother J. A. Hunt doing the preaching. We ask the saints to pray that God will get glory out of everything that is done and that many will pray through to victory in this meeting. Pray for my throat as I get very hoarse when I sing or pray much. God is able to deliver me from that.—A sister, Mrs. Ola Mae Corley.

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A revival began at the Church of God in Harrisburg, Pa. with Sister Clara Mullikin of Baltimore, Md. and Brother and Sister Tull of Crisfield, Md. in charge. Please pray that God will undertake and souls will be saved.—Wm. Morris, pastor, Harrisburg, Pa.

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To our friends, loved ones, and saints of the Church of God, we ask each of you to help us pray for the healing of our baby. He has been sick a month and can't eat any solid food, just boiled sweet milk and rice soup. We are trusting in the Lord to help us.—Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Blackwood, 1314 Lee Ave., Fort Worth, Tex.

## NOTICES

### KENTUCKY STATE CAMP MEETING

Our state camp meeting will convene at Somerset, Ky., July 23-August 2. This will be the first camp meeting in our new tabernacle and we want to make it a success.

The ministers present will be expected to do the preaching. S. W. Latimer will be present Saturday, the 25th, and remain over until Monday. We will expect him to do all the preaching during his short stay with us and we hope that every preacher in the State will be present to hear him. He has the message of the day.

There is plenty of camping room on the camp ground for all who may desire to camp, with a good spring near by. Our three gas stoves and twelve tables will be installed in the church as they were at the state convention. For the convenience of all who want to do their own cooking, we have plenty of dishes, knives, forks, and spoons, but it will be necessary for you to bring such things as you will want to cook in. We hope later to have a full supply of cooking utensils. There will be no charges for camping space nor for the use of the kitchen equipment, so just come on and cook and eat all you want to. You can live as cheaply in Somerset as anywhere else.

Those who want beds may write L. L. Hughes, 139 Cotter Ave., so he will know how many to secure. Your bed will cost 25 cents per day each person; however, you might find beds free. Some of us who live there never make any charges.

We invite our brothers and sisters of other states to come and be with us, and certainly hope our own home ministry will co-operate with us and make this, our first camp meeting, a success.—John C. Jernigan, state overseer.

The Illinois state camp meeting will convene in Benton, Ill. on the camp ground which has recently been purchased, beginning Aug. 6 and continuing through Aug. 16. We are expecting this to be the best camp meeting that has ever been in Illinois. Come and bring your tent and bedding. We are expecting every preacher in the state to make his arrangements to come and stay through this entire meeting, also all laymembers that can possibly come. We are expecting quite a few out-of-state folks to be with us. We are giving a big hearty welcome to all. Come and let us enjoy the feast together. For better information write G. S. Scott, Taylor St., Benton, Ill.—J. L. Goins, overseer of Illinois.

To ministers and delegates who will be coming to the state convention at Bay-

ard, W. Va., July 23-26, those coming from Princeton and around Welch, can come by Peterstown, Marlinton, Elkins, and Red House, Md. Then take Route 50 to Gorman and turn right—2 miles to Bayard. Or you can come by Beckley and pick up Route 19 through by Gauley Bridge, turn left at Belva, via Sutton Weston, and Clarksburg. Then take Route 50 to Gorman and Bayard. Parties coming from Mingo, Logan County, Guyan Valley, Kanawha Valley, Coal River, etc., will come by way of Charleston, then take Route 5 by Spencer and Glenville, to Weston, then take Route 19 to Clarksburg. Take Route 50 as above to Bayard. Parties living in the north side of the state will inquire. Consult road map.

### CAMP GROUND FUNDS

Some of the churches have paid their 25c per member and some of the ministers have paid their \$2.00 assessment. Others have not. Please let all ministers and exhorters either send or bring the assessment of \$2.00 each to the state convention to be turned over to the secretary and treasurer. Pastors, you should put forth an earnest effort to have your 25c per member ready also. Some of the very poorest churches financially which have a large membership have paid their 25c per member. If these can do it, certainly those who are more favorably situated can meet this easy requirement. Certainly all our ministers understand by this time the purpose of the camp ground and the necessity for it. Can you afford to refuse to co-operate? or to manifest lack of concern for the advancement of the Lord's work? Hath not He said whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might? Please let us be faithful. We are depending on you.—Faithfully, E. C. Clark, overseer of West Virginia.

We will have an all-day meeting at the Church of God at Twila, Ky. the second Sunday in August. Come and be with us. We are looking for a great outpouring of the Holy Ghost. Those in Kentucky and West Virginia surely can come. Come looking for a feast with God. It will be well for you Church of God folks to bring a basket of eats, we want to have a basket dinner.—Yours in Christ, W. B. Branham, pastor.

### REGRET

I here sincerely express my regret to hear of the death of Retha Lola Bryant. Every B. T. S. student of 1936 dearly loved her.

It is to her friends loss, and to heaven gain, that she has left this world behind.—Madelyn Lewis, Toledo, Ohio.

The person who pities himself is grooming himself for failure and will never grow up to be a real man until he buckles into work with his head up and saves his pity for the other fellow.

## REQUESTS

Please pray a special prayer for the healing of my left lung as it seems to be affected very much.—Yours for lost souls, W. C. Edgell, Brown, W. Va.

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Dear saints, my heart is burdened this morning. One of my brothers and I are the only ones in the family who are trying to live right. I know God will answer prayer if we go to Him in the right way. My loved ones are on their way to hell unless God undertakes in some way. I have battled along for six years, fought demons, and seemingly it is a road that has no end. Sometimes we can't understand these things. God may have a purpose in it, if so, I'm willing to suffer on if it is the best. I would be willing to lay down my life if it would mean the salvation of my loved ones. Please pray that God will get hold of their hearts and save them before it is too late. Please remember me when you pray.—Your humble sister, Mily Mull, Andrews, N. C., Box 476.

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I ask every saint of God to earnestly pray for God to heal my body. Doctors have failed in helping me, I know Jesus can heal. I ask all to pray that He will heal me completely. Fast and pray for me. I am counting on you to pray all day for me one day. I am looking for the effects of these prayers.—Haskell Compton, Kistler, W. Va.

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Dear Evangel readers, please pray a special prayer for the healing of my body.—Mrs. J. M. Snyder, Box 483, Pittsburg, Kans.

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Pray for our revival which is in progress at the courthouse at Clayton, Ga. God is wonderfully blessing in this meeting. Signs are following believers according to Mark 16:17. Ten have been saved, seven sanctified, and three filled with the Holy Ghost. Old-time conviction and power is manifested in every service. This is a hard place. Take us on your hearts and pray for us here. Brother W. A. Goss is doing the preaching. Pray for God to give us a place to worship here.—Yours for a better world, T. W. Harkins, district pastor.

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Dear saints of the Church of God, I am in Moulton, Ala. trying to get a place to run a meeting here as the Lord has laid this place on my heart. It seems to be a very hard place to me but we read in God's Word that there is nothing too hard for God. Please pray earnestly for God to give me a good revival. I am certainly standing in need of prayer.—A brother in Christ, H. L. Kitchen, Moulton, Ala.



### Five Points For Young Converts

Five things, if remembered, will help you each day;

Obedied, they will keep you from going astray.

Though Satan may tempt you and trials betide,

You surely will conquer and in Christ abide.

Keep looking to Jesus, He never can fail,  
And walk in His footsteps in every detail;

The world's allurements will vanish from sight

By looking to Jesus, your Savior and Light.

Read daily your Bible, if you would be strong

To witness for Jesus and overcome wrong.

The Author, the Book, the doer abide.  
But they who neglect it will surely backslide.

Pray without ceasing. This will bring you to Him

Who cleanses and keeps you a victor o'er sin.

There's nothing so great that our God cannot do,

And nothing so small but He'll undertake too.

Confess Him to others; be bold for your King

To those who are lying in darkness and sin.

What help can you better, to all recommend,

Than this blessed Jesus, the needy one's Friend?

Do something for Jesus, He did all for you;

Your joy find in willing His sweet will to do.

So seeking to please Him through life day by day,

His presence shall gladden each step of your way.

—Selected and sent in by B. T. Haggard, evangelist, Strawberry Plains, Tenn., Rt. 1.

### Doesn't Mean to be Moved

Dear saints, I praise the Lord for what He is to me. I truly thank Him for salvation—real Bible holiness in these last days when Satan is loose and working hard after the souls of men. I don't mean to be moved but press my way to the end. I am glad I have done what Jesus said, put on the whole armor of God, for it takes all to stand now.

I also praise God for His dear Son Jesus, that great Healer and for His wonderful healing power. Sometime ago I sent two handkerchiefs to Brother Lati-

mer to be anointed and I received them the day I was fasting. I laid them on in Jesus' name and the dear Holy Ghost gave the witness and I could feel His healing power. Thank the Lord!

Then a few days after that my feet, ankles, and legs got so bad I could hardly walk. At night I had to use a walking stick to get around and I could hardly sleep, but I held on to Jesus for I knew it was Satan trying to shake my faith in God. You know, dear ones, when you are suffering and you have taken the Lord for your doctor and have vowed to Him that you will trust Him soul and body, the devil tries hard to make you break that vow, but don't do it. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. I thank God that to-day Jesus is giving me the victory. I can walk with all ease and sleep, and I don't suffer as much. I know Jesus is going to give me complete victory as I hold on. There is great joy in trusting the Lord. So you who are suffering, don't get discouraged but put your trust in Jesus and He will heal you.

I truly praise the Lord for healing my husband's hand and finger. He stuck a wire in his finger and infection set in. It swelled so he could not use it. Praise the Lord for His mercy.

I also thank the Lord for the Church of God Evangel, that blessed paper. Oh, how it feeds my soul each week.—Your sister in the Lord, Elsie Gates (colored).

### Revival Started

Just a note of praise to God for His great presence and power. Last night was the first service of a two weeks' revival started by Brother Tom Bowman of Durham, N. C. and his string band. While there are five different churches around in hollering distance, we had a nice crowd here and while the devil tried to hang around and hinder as long as he could, when the different ones began asking for prayer to be saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, he found out that God had us hedged in and he could do us no harm. We gave an altar call. Several came for prayer. One lady who I never have seen interested in religion was in the altar crying and her sister was sitting on a chair crying, and best of all a backslidden sister came back home.

We ask the saints everywhere to pray for God to have His way in these revival services. This is a new field for the Church of God, so you know how we need your prayers. Our little family is doing its best to hold up the great Church of God and its teaching here. It seems we esteem our salvation, the great Church of God, and the Evangel more than ever before as we are nearing our heavenly home. I feel it won't be long and we should be at our best for God.—Humbly your brother, A. F. Wilson, West Hillsboro, N. C.

### STATE CONVENTIONS

**Kansas-Nebraska-Iowa Convention**  
Pittsburg, Kans., July 10-12  
J. M. SNYDER, Overseer

**Georgia Camp Meeting**  
Macon, Ga., July 9-19  
J. P. HUGHES, Overseer

**Oklahoma State Convention and Camp Meeting**  
Maud, Okla., July 13-19  
S. J. WOOD, Overseer

**Alabama State Camp Meeting**  
Sumiton, Ala., July 17-26  
G. C. DUNN, Overseer

**West Virginia State Convention**  
Bayard, W. Va., July 23-26  
E. C. CLARK, Overseer

**Kentucky State Camp Meeting**  
Somerset, Ky., July 23-Aug. 2  
J. C. JERNIGAN, Overseer

**South Carolina State Convention**  
Greenville, S. C., July 30-Aug. 2  
R. P. JOHNSON, Overseer

**Mississippi State Camp Meeting**  
July 30-Aug. 7  
T. M. McCLENDON, Overseer

**Southern Alabama Camp Meeting**  
Sunny South Church of God  
Near Pine Hill, Ala., July 31-Aug. 9  
G. C. DUNN, Overseer

**Texas State Convention and Camp Meeting**  
Weatherford, Texas, Aug. 6-16  
T. S. PAYNE, Overseer

**Arkansas State Convention and Camp Meeting**  
Velvet Ridge Church, 10 miles north of Bald Knob, Ark.  
Aug. 8-16  
J. A. McCULLAR, Overseer

**Maryland, Delaware, Washington, D. C. Convention and Camp Meeting**  
Near Shiloh, Md., Aug. 20-30  
(Convention Aug. 20-23)  
W. CARL MILLIGAN, Overseer

**Virginia State Convention and Camp Meeting**  
Roanoke, Va., Aug. 20-30  
J. L. DORMAN, Overseer

**Canton, Ga., Dist. Convention**

Our convention convened June 19-21 with Brother T. L. McLain, our esteemed district overseer, in charge. It was a real feast from the beginning. The introductory address was given by Brother S. C. Daniels, pastor at Marietta, with response by Brother W. T. Setser, Brother Roy Ingram, and the writer.

Saturday morning the power fell, the Holy Ghost took charge of the service and no one tried to preach. In the afternoon the writer brought a message, after which Brother Daniel brought a wonderful message. It surely was timely. We then had a praise service. After the evening devotional service we had a testimony service conducted by Sister McLain, after which Brother McLain brought us a real message. It surely was inspiring and instructive.

Sunday morning we had songs, prayer, and Sunday School. Brother W. T. Setser then brought an inspiring message. It was another feast. In the afternoon we had a talk on missions by Brother Daniel after which an offering was taken for same amounting to \$12.30. This was followed by reports of the churches. Each church had a very good report, the work is moving on just fine on this district.

We thank the Lord for Brother and Sister T. L. McLain. The Lord is surely blessing their work here. We were very sorry our beloved state overseer could not attend this great feast from heaven. Pray for us that we will work hard, live humble and be ready to meet the Lord.—Jeff Dale.

**Home Coming and Revival a Feast**

CHAPMAN, Ala.—The dear Lord is so good to us. The first Sunday in June we had home coming at the Church of God at Chapman. The Lord blessed from the beginning. Brother Herd from West Boylston made a nice talk on our Sunday School lesson which every one seemed to enjoy. At eleven o'clock Brother Clyde Helm brought the message which was food to all of us. Praise the Lord. We then spread dinner.

After dinner we met again and opened service with songs and prayer, still enjoying the good blessings from above.

A revival began that night and the Lord is still blessing. It closed Friday night, June 26. How our hearts are encouraged to press on. Brother J. R. Robinson did the preaching. We thank the Lord for his coming to our place. There was lots of good accomplished in this revival. I don't know how many got saved, six received the Holy Ghost, and two were united with the church. Saints, pray for us that we may obey the Lord in every way.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Ola Mae Corley.

**Fulfilling My Vow**

Dear Evangel readers, I praise God for full and free salvation. I promised the Lord I would do all I could for Him providing He would help me with strength and power. Friday, May 22, I started from the church at Tampa, Jam. at 6:30 a.m. to the church at Brighton (Outlook). These two churches are nine miles apart. I had a suitcase which weighed about forty or forty-five pounds. The little path that I had to travel was so muddy.

I reached my destination at 1: p.m. and changed my suit. I met one of the sisters. She told me about one who was against the church and spoke so many hard things about it and said that one of his daughters got saved and we went there to pray for her. After our prayer the man said he would like to know the elder, also hear something about the Church of God. A joy came into my heart and although I was so tired I started there, another one and one-half mile journey.

After I got there and introduced myself to them I asked them what they would like me to explain to them and they said anything, so I began to explain the way of salvation, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and the true Church. In my explanation to him he stretched forth his hand and asked me to shake it to confirm the truth, and we bowed in prayer. After the prayer he told me of the evil things he said about the Church of God. He told me that Satan came into his home and caused all of his children to go astray. One was in Black River Town very sick and he was sending for her the next day, and if she came home he believed she would get a blessing too. So I promised him if the girl came I would go back. Sunday after mid-day service I got a message that the girl came home so I took eight of the brethren and reached their house about 3:00 p. m. He was very glad to see me. He told me his daughter had come and that she was helpless.

When I went into the room I saw her lying on her back. I asked her if she believed that the Lord could heal her and she said, "Yes," so I asked her if she knew that it was her sins that caused the sickness and she said, "Yes." Her whole body was in pain. She told me the doctor told her that she had kidney trouble. I told her if she wanted to get healed she should ask the Lord to forgive her of her sins and save her and in answer to prayer she would get healed. She agreed. We sang a few songs and I told her while I was going to pray for her she must pray for herself. We kept praying for about fifteen minutes. The Holy Ghost came down and I anointed her with oil and she was sweetly saved. The next morning she got up out of bed. I went there again and prayed with her. I got a message this

morning that she came out to the service. Praise His dear name, one soul is born again.

Dear readers, let us not stay at home because we don't have a car to ride in, there are many souls dying in sin where horse and car cannot go. I will be leaving this field tomorrow morning on the nine-mile journey back to Tampa, and Monday, June 1, I have to take another journey to Annotto Bay convention at Ross tabernacle. All who read this pray for me, also my dear overseer, H. A. Hudson.—Yours in the Master's service. C. A. McIntosh, pastor.

**Way Grows Sweeter and Brighter**

COOLTEWAH, Tenn.—Dear brothers and sisters, I praise the Lord for what He is to me. I'm so glad that He is my Savior and I love Him above everything in this world. I'm not a bit tired of the way, but it grows sweeter and brighter each day. I want to be a bright and shining light for my blessed Savior, He has done so much for me.

He wonderfully healed me of cancer when the doctors couldn't help me. I kept getting worse until I just gave myself up to the Lord. I wrote to Brothers Rouse, Latimer, Rosco Davis, and Harvey Nix to pray for me and, praise the Lord, He healed me. I'm feeling good in my soul to-day. I want to go all the way with Jesus and be able to do something for Him, He has done so much for me. Pray that I will be just what Jesus wants me to be. I have loved ones in sin so pray for them.—Your sister under the blood, Mrs. Dovie Willerson, Rt. 1.

**Completely Healed Through Prayer**

JAL, N. Mex.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise the good Lord for healing our baby of large sores which almost covered her head, ears, cheeks, and forehead. This was caused from mosquito bites. When she first took sick both ears ran for a while. We sent a request to the Evangel and kept holding on to God until He answered and she is completely well now. Praise God! I feel His presence now.

Pray for us here in New Mexico. The work is progressing fine. We thank the Lord for sending Brother and Sister Douglas to New Mexico.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. J. D. Pyeatt.

**Revival**

CANTON, Ga.—Sisters Pauline Jackson and Myrtle Whitehead closed a three weeks' meeting here at Canton. Ten received the Holy Ghost and a goodly number were saved and sanctified. We bespeak for them success anywhere they may go.—Jeff Dale.

### True Stories and Funnies

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the low slang and vulgar swear words that you read and they soon become your vocabulary too.

Children backslide through the funnies; their morals are spoiled, no ambition for any thing else. The height of their ambition is to act, talk, walk and look like a funny or movie star, just as the cigarette demon gets hold of children, as well as grown-ups, and ruins their morals and they do not care what they do. They become lazy, their health is broken down, they are slovenly and drink is the next step. In them they live and move and have their being. Oh, children of God, having once known Him and loved Him and heard His voice through His Word, how can you go back to the old dead trash of this world, and stoop to be lured and drawn by the love of stories of the devil written by dope fiends and jail birds?

Beloved, how can you let your children read the funnies that make these little ones despise God's precious Word? When my little boy was about five years old, he saw the funnies at a neighbor's house and he was attracted to the colored pictures. There was one animal picture which I let him see and I read it to him. Finally we got the newspaper for this continued picture of animals in Africa, which finally turned into a love story. He was wild for the paper and cared no more for the Bible stories I told and showed him. You know oil and water will not mix, you must choose one or the other. You cannot love both the things of God and the things of the world. All these things had gone from me when I "was born again," all things had become new and the things I had loved, I hated, but I had to meet this same thing for my little boy. God showed me it was wrong, but how could I show David. I prayed and the Lord gave a dear friend of mine a dream, which she laughingly told me. "Sister Moss, I had the strangest dream about you and I know it wasn't true." So I coaxed her to tell me and she said in her dream that I was reading the funnies, the "Big Chicago American," and she asked me why was I doing that. I said in her dream, "Just for a recreation," and she laughed and said it was such a foolish dream, by way of an apology. Then I told her it was of God and a warning to me and I thanked her for it. When we got home I told my little boy, who loved Jesus, of this dream, and he was willing to give up the funnies and also the penny candies that were making him sick. We prayed together and God gave him a little song which he sang, "Jesus is sweeter than candy to me, Sweeter to me, sweeter to me," and he had the prettiest little tune to it too and was so happy.

As we still took the paper for a little while afterwards, I tore out the funnies and had no more trouble as he was willing and the Bible stories once again had that matchless charm for him. Give Him the time you spend in true stories and funnies, in papers and magazines. Have that living touch with Jesus morning, noon, and night, or your day will be lost. Then you can say, "In him we live, and move, and have our being."

### Glad Because We Can Trust Him

WALHALLA, S. C.—Dear Evangel readers, we truly praise God for His goodness to us. Five years ago He saved us from sin, sanctified, and filled us with the Holy Ghost and added us to the great Church of God. He has been our physician ever since. We are glad because we can trust Him with both soul and body.

Our little boy took sick with something like pneumonia. We began to pray. He got worse and worse. One evening it looked like he was going to die. My husband went out and got about twelve or fifteen of the saints and we prayed. The Lord healed his body completely. Bless His good name! We haven't taken any medicine or given our children any since we got saved. Please pray for us that we will stay humble and do the will of the Lord until He comes or calls for us.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Maud Haulbrooks.

### Desires the Holy Ghost

Dear Evangel readers, I thank God I can still report victory through the blood of Jesus. I thank God for our pastor, Brother N. Archer. He is indeed a true man of God, he preaches with power.

Saints, I am asking you to pray a special prayer for me that I might receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost to meet Jesus in the air, because we learn that without Him we will have to stay to meet the tribulation. All who read this please pray for me that I might get the Holy Ghost.—Your brother under the blood, C. H. Christie, Jam., B. W. I.

### To-Day Finds Me with Victory

By the fall and the work of sin the results are afflictions, heartaches, pain, grief, sorrow, and disappointments. I was afflicted at my birth. In my young boyhood life I had the knowledge of its horrors. My heart would ache and sorry. Oh, how would I get through the world. I could not talk at times and at times I could not walk. I was a nervous wreck and could not at times even stand on a busy street.

For about eighteen years I lived close then began to ramble the world more. I

went to doctors in New York City where I thought was cure, but not so. Many an hour I've stood and held still because of excitement, had not strength enough after those spells. At times the jerking was so bad it would draw my body, legs, and arms. There I was. "What will I do?" I'd say. I'd go for days and get so full I'd begin to cry, then would feel a little relief.

I was in St. Petersburg, Fla. when a sweet, guiding voice said, "Go home, pray with your people." I had become a miserable wreck nearly, yet I was so hungry for God and His dear truth. I was brought up in a prayerful home but had drifted away into Catholicism. When I got home I did not slumber and sleep long, for my dear brother had the Holy Ghost and in his praying I heard him speak in an unknown tongue. I had no room to doubt, seeing the Christ-like spirit in his face. I was fully convinced and began to lay off and put on until I received this great Holy Ghost of heaven. I was made so much better but not completely healed. I prayed on about three years. I knew that God, if I kept on asking, would answer, and to-day finds me with the victory. Glory to God!

I can't express the joy and the difference seems strange to me, for I never knew how it seemed to walk and go as well people, without any trouble. I have been healed of many things. First of all, consider how great God is from the things that are made which bear witness of His handmarks. Then go to the Word and look at the promises unto His children. It makes me feel good to drink of the water of the fountain of life. Glory to God.

All remember me for I am determined to be a faithful witness by grace in His name.—Your brother in Jesus Christ, Rt. 2, Jesup, Ga.

### The Sun Still Shines

I truly thank God for His wonderful goodness to me. I praise Him for the sweet Holy Ghost which I received about five years ago. I've never seen anything to turn back to and this way grows sweeter every day.

Sometimes this way seems dark for us and the burdens grow heavy, but thank God, for the wonderful thought that behind every dark cloud the sun still shines, and some day when the clouds are so dark and our burdens seem more than we can bear, we'll see the Son of man coming through the clouds to catch away His waiting Bride.

I praise God for the way He is blessing at our church. To be sure He is blessing in Sunday School and prayer meeting. I thank Him for our pastor, he surely stands by the work. Pray for us at Timms Chapel.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. L. P. Jones, Resaca, Ga.



## As a Mighty River Let the Church of God Move On

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to listen to it, sends a joyful, jubilant feeling through one's being. We want to get into it and we thirst for it. Yes, the Holy-Ghost-filled life that rises in the hills of God, flows in the sunshine of His eternal love, is bound to minister gladness and good cheer. It never fails to prove a stimulant to the hearts which have become overcharged with trouble and care, and to the faces which hang heavy with gloom.

### CONCLUSION

How near do we come to this ideal life given by our Lord and administered by the Holy Ghost? Perhaps we can give a cup of cold water in His name, but why be satisfied to give only a cup when Jesus stands ready to turn loose rivers, yea, rivers? Should not we be honest with Him and fair to ourselves and to those whom we propose to serve, and yield ourselves to the Holy Ghost that He might pour through us these gracious ministries from our headquarters to the end of our endeavors? The Holy Ghost must possess and lead us or else we will hear God say, Thou hast a name that thou livest, and are dead. Our every move and word should be such as to suggest or exhibit vitality that the faint, withering and withered, parched, dying and dead ministers, members and churches might become aroused and recover themselves from the enemy, and prepare for the coming of the Lord. Every one of us should have an influence which suggests music and dancing and that which means good cheer to frightened, discouraged, storm-tossed disciples of Christ, as well as to the sinner who is groping in darkness. Our words and our walk, our sermon and song, our prayer, testimonies and service should be seasoned with gladness and delight, for such I am sure will be the lives of those who are filled with the Holy Ghost and whose will is in contact and concord with that of Almighty God. Then instead of singing, Onward, Church of God, as a mighty army, we can sing, Move on, Church of God, as a mighty river, move on, carrying and imparting vitality, purity, refreshment, and gladness, causing the souls to sing who line her banks and drink from her abundance.

### EDITORIALS

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upon your knees, and in the house of the Lord, redemption from the curses of the law; pray that Jesus may be revealed to thee; the blood of the Lamb of God alone can take away the guilt of sin; having found the law, rest not till you find the gospel also, and arrive at a comfortable assurance of your interest

in its blessings. Josiah's heart was tender, he wept, and was encouraged; follow his sorrow, and you will partake of his blessings; and make the law of God your delight and counselor.

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"Draw me, we will run after thee. The King hath brought me into his chambers; we will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine; the upright love thee." Sol. Song 1:4. "In thee the fatherless findeth mercy." Hosea 14:3.

The needle's point in the seaman's compass never stands still, but quivers and shakes till it comes right against the north pole. The wise men of the East never rested till they were right against the star which appeared unto them, and the star itself never stood still till it came right against that other Star, which shone more brightly in the manger than the sun did in the firmament: and Noah's dove could not rest for the sole of her foot, all the while she was fluttering over the flood, till she returned to the ark with an olive branch in her mouth. So the heart of every true Christian, which is the turtle-dove of Jesus Christ, can find no rest all the while it is hovering over the waters of this world, till with the silver wings of a dove, and the olive branch of faith, it flies to Jesus, the true Noah and rest of our souls, who puts forth His hand out of the ark, and, taking the dove in, receiveth it to Himself.

### Saints in One Accord

Dear readers, greetings. I was called to take the work over here. There was no pastor and the devil was telling the saints that there was no use in trying, but we put up a fight again and went to praying and holding on to God. In a few days eleven prayed through to victory, nine were sanctified, seven baptized with the Holy Ghost, and several healed. We kept holding on to the Lord and our Sunday School has grown from a few to a large number, which we do praise our Lord for.

We were praying for some one to come our way to help us hold a revival, so Brother Clarence Taylor and Brother A. J. Mitchell had just closed a revival at Ada, Okla. where the dear Lord met with them and saved three, sanctified six, filled two with the Holy Ghost and three were added to the Church of God. Then on June 9 they enlisted in a fight again. They began to declare the Word in the old-time way and God began to work, souls began to pray through, and, of course, the devil began to fight in spite of all. To-night, June 15, nineteen have prayed through, eleven have been sanctified, ten filled with the Holy

Ghost, and several have been healed, for which we praise the Lord. The saints are in one accord, His Spirit is working. Brother and Sister Wood, our state overseer, were with us Saturday night for which we thank the Lord. We think they are a great blessing to our state. We surely love them and ask that all the saints everywhere pray that the Lord will bless and lead them on and make this a great year in the state. Also pray that our revival will continue and souls will get through.

Dear saints, when you read this pray that the Lord will continue to bless at Seminole, Okla.—Your brother, W. A. Cox.

### Praise God For Victory

WHITWELL, Tenn. — Dear ones, I praise God for victory in my soul, for the abiding Holy Ghost, and the healing of my body. I have been afflicted ever since September with sugar diabetes. For over three months I did not have my foot on the floor, and it seemed we just couldn't get victory, but we just held on.

I sent Brother Rouse a handkerchief but did not hear from him, but the Lord came on the scene and began to heal. I sent a handkerchief to Brother Albert Teaster. He and his wife prayed over it for me and now I am doing most all of my work. Pray that God will continue to heal me, keep me under the blood, and save my lost children.—A sister in Christ, Anie Scalf.

### Does A Sinner's Life Pay?

Does a sinner's life pay? No, I can answer that now. I am under a penitentiary sentence, waiting in Logan county jail to be moved to Moundsville, W. Va. I have spent many good hours in the Church of God where Brother E. C. Clark or Brother Ramsey and his family would be conducting services, also many other good preachers in the dear old Church of God.

I knew the church was right but I let the devil take charge of me with his whiskey and other idols. My wife is a member of the Church and she had talked to me many times about my soul, telling me what would happen to me if I didn't quit my ways. But it seemed like the devil had too much hold on me. I have four little girls at Aracoma, W. Va. and I want the church to pray for me that God will give me victory in this old jail, and after I am free I will serve Him as long as I live. I know many of the Church of God people and love them all. I ask them to pray for me and my children that He will save them and me. Also pray for my mother who is sixty-five years old. Please pray for me.—Sincerely your friend, Arthur Stevens, 308 Hudgins St., Logan, W. Va.

## Orphanage Report

### Orphanage Cash Receipts For April, May, June, 1936

Alabama, \$128.89; Arkansas, \$19.72; Arizona, \$3.00; California, \$92.91; Delaware, \$10.25; Florida, \$341.27; Georgia, \$133.15; Iowa, 26c; Illinois, \$74.02; Indiana, \$17.35; Kansas, \$15.59; Kentucky, \$133.30; Louisiana, \$23.01; Maine, \$31.48; Maryland, \$72.33; Michigan, \$164.03; Foreign (Canada, Bahamas, Jamaica, etc.) \$4.60; N. Mexico, \$27.87; Montana, \$16.41; Missouri, \$110.19; Mississippi, \$39.23; Minnesota, \$4.52; Nebraska, 59c; New York, 35c; North Dakota, \$35.83; N. Carolina, \$426.16; Ohio, \$331.10; Oklahoma, \$29.73; Oregon, \$3.25; Pennsylvania, \$174.09.

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### ALABAMA

Vergie Carroll, Addison—1 set quilt squares.

#### ARKANSAS

Mrs. Martha Gentry, Bauxite—1 quilt.  
The Church of God, Lepanto—1 set pillow cases, 1 dresser scarf.

#### CALIFORNIA

Mrs. Nellie Sharp, Corona—1 quilt.

#### GEORGIA

Mrs. W. M. Fleming, Atlanta—4 quilt tops.

Sister Lillie Poarch, (name of town unknown)—2 handkerchiefs.

Sister Heaton, Crane Eater—4 handkerchiefs.

#### ILLINOIS

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Brayfield, Christopher—1 quilt, 3 small dresses.

#### KENTUCKY

Dr. R. S. Short, Leburn—1 dress, 1 hat.

Mrs. Bill Underwood, Cromona—4 yds. voile, 5 yds. prints, 5 yds. broadcloth.

#### MISSOURI

Mrs. M. A. White, Naylor—1 set quilt squares, 2 towels, 2 bars soap.

#### NORTH CAROLINA

Mrs. Wright and Miss Burbank, Shooting Creek—5 belts, 2 pr. gloves, several pr. shoe laces, 1 pr. galoshes, 1 dress pattern, 2 cards buttons, 1 collar and bow set, 1 pr. knitting needles, 1 jumper dress. Secondhand goods—3 pr. shoes, 7 dresses, 8 pr. hose, 10 hats, 2 pr. pants, 2 coats.

Mrs. T. M. Beam, Belmont—3 towels, 2 bars soap, 2 quilt tops, 1 1-2 yds. muslin. Secondhand goods—5 pr. pants, 1 dress.

#### OHIO

(Sender unknown), Toledo—1 wash cloth. Secondhand goods—1 quilt top, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 meal sack, 1 stocking leg,

1 pillow case, 1 pr. sweater sleeves, 1 small boy's suit, 3 pr. boy's pants, 1 pr. sleeping wear, 1 dress, 1 boy's waist, 2 song books. (We will be glad to know the sender, please.)

#### TENNESSEE

Laura Bryant, Pleasant Hill—2 bars soap, 8 handkerchiefs.

(Turned in by A. K. Wheeler), Cleveland—3 boxes candy.

### It Was Good to Be There

The Hazlehurst, Ga. district of the Church of God had a home-coming day at Peterson's Chapel, West Green, Ga., April 31. The service opened with songs, and special music. Brother J. A. Hipps, district overseer, had charge of the service. After the welcome address and response to same, Brother E. E. Coleman, pastor at Unity Church of God on the Cairo district, brought a message. Brother Coleman is evangelizing on the Hazlehurst district at the present time.

At noon the dinner was spread on the ground and there was plenty to eat. After dinner we had more singing. An offering was taken for missions. Brother A. G. Carroll from Odum spoke to us. Then Brother C. L. Radford of Odum followed with a message. A general praise service followed.

We can say it was certainly good to be there feasting on the wonderful blessings which God poured out upon us. There were eight licensed ministers present, including one colored preacher.—Mrs. E. E. Coleman.

### Much Improved

CROPWELL, Ala.—Two weeks ago to-day I sent out a request for prayer for the healing of my brother. The next day he began to improve. Now he can sit up and I think he can leave the hospital this week. I believe it is in answer to prayer that he has improved so.

I thank each one who prayed, and ask you to continue to pray that His health will be fully restored. Pray for our little church here, the devil is trying so hard to tear it down. Help us pray for a revival. May God's richest blessings rest upon each one.—A sister, Leola Lee.

### I Love the Lord

FITZGERALD, Ga.—Dear readers, I praise the Lord for what He has done for me. He has saved me, sanctified, and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I love the Lord. Pray for me and my wife that we will stand true until Jesus comes.

We thank the Lord for Brother and Sister Kennedy. I have four brothers out in sin. Pray that God will save, sanctify, and fill them with the Holy Ghost. Pray for the Church of God at Fitzgerald.—Your brother in Christ, Omar Parsons.

## Mission Report

Missions receipts by states for second quarter, 1936:

Alabama	\$164.44
Arkansas	17.49
Arizona	1.60
California	94.92
Delaware	2.47
Florida	473.24
Georgia	236.24
Iowa	2.24
Illinois	64.35
Indiana	127.99
Kansas	7.02
Kentucky	155.87
Louisiana	65.78
Maryland	39.73
Mississippi	88.60
Missouri	125.66
Montana	3.28
Minnesota	5.00
Maine	4.85
Michigan	150.38
Massachusetts	.16
Nebraska	.62
North Dakota	17.37
North Carolina	519.74
New Mexico	73.81
Ohio	142.38
Oklahoma	20.73
Pennsylvania	113.83
South Carolina	280.61
South Dakota	5.03
Tennessee	928.61
Texas	72.61
Virginia	56.71
West Virginia	139.06
Washington, D. C.	4.46
Jamaica	1.76

TOTAL \$4,208.64

### Lord Blessing at Jacksonville, Alabama

JACKSONVILLE, Ala.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise God for the way He is blessing here at Jacksonville under the leadership of Sister Etta Newman. She pastored for us last year and had wonderful success. About a month ago she came back to stay with us until the Assembly, for which we are all so thankful. She has a great influence here at Jacksonville. The people all love her, both old and young.

I am glad for victory in my soul. I feel like going on. I desire your prayers that I might be faithful to the end.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Lovie Mosteller, clerk.